

**Amendments to the Specification:**

On page 3, please replace the paragraph starting on line 26 with the following amended paragraph:

--The object formulated here according to one exemplary embodiment of the invention is achieved with a method or device of the type defined in the preamble according to the present invention; by increasing the pressure in the annular spaces of the spring cylinders in the low load range on the front axle. In the medium load range, the pressure in the annular space is reduced for the purpose of increasing comfort, and in the low load range, the spring constant is made harder by increasing the annular space pressure.--.

On page 5, please replace the paragraph starting on line 18 with the following amended paragraph:

--Figure 1 shows axle spring constant C and cylinder pressure  $P_z$  relative to axle load A on the front axle of a vehicle at a constant annular space pressure  $P_R$ . Curve C shows the curve of axle spring constant C and curve  $[[P]] P_z$  shows the curve of the cylinder pressure over axle load A. Axle load A is divided into a low load range n, a medium load range m and a high load range h. Low load range n is when the vehicle is provided with a load on its rear end. This may be a plow, for example, in the case of a tractor. Then the load is relieved on the front axle suspension, which is thus in low load range n. A high axle load and thus a high load range h of the front axle suspension occur when a loader or the like is mounted on the front part of the tractor. Then the front axle has its highest axle load. Medium load range m of the axle load occurs when the vehicle is not loaded with devices on either the front or rear end. The load limits are fixed in the design and are coordinated with the type of tractor and the selected attachments.--.

On page 7, please replace the paragraph starting on line 23 with the following amended paragraph:

--Both annular spaces 7 and 8 are connected to each other by connecting line 11 and are connected to hydraulic accumulator 12. A second connecting line 13 connects piston spaces 3 and 4. Connecting line 13 is connected to hydraulic accumulator 15 by a line 14. Inlet line 16, in which a deblockable non-return valve

17 is installed, opens into line 14. Inlet line 63, connected to line 28 in which throttle 18 is installed, opens into connecting line 11 and also has a deblockable non-return valve 21.--.

On page 10, please add the following paragraph on line 25:

--The annular space pressure ( $P_R$ ) may be switched in two pressure stages having a difference of up to 50 bar as a function of the pressure ( $P_z$ ) in the piston spaces (3, 4).--.